KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 26th AUGUST 2018

(Mass Bk B; Part 2, page 65) Responsorial Psalm "Taste and see that the Lord is good."

PARISH DIARY

THERE IS NO 12 Noon Mass on Sun, 26th Aug due to the **Pope's visit.**

Kilcock & Newtown Development Envelopes – new boxes of envelopes are now available for collection as the old ones run out this weekend. It will be a big help to us if you take the envelopes with the same numbers as you are using now. If you are just beginning to use the envelopes and would like to give us your name, just give us a call. As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

Baptism meeting for parents of children to be baptised in September on Tue, 28th Aug at 8pm in St. Coca's Church.

Healing mass resumes in Our Lady of the Nativity Church in Newtown on Sat, 15th Sept.

Best of luck to all who are returning to school this week and next.

KILDARE OLDER PERSONS COUNCIL

You are cordially invited to our AGM and an exhibition of our services available to older people on Tues, 4th Sept. from 10.15am-1pm in the Rathasker Suite, Killashee House Hotel. Light refreshments served. Open to all persons over 55. <u>Have</u> your say about what its like growing old in Co. Kildare and the issues affecting older persons. Kildare Older Persons Council is the official voice of older persons at local and National level. For further information, contact Liam on 087 2989727.

POPE FRANCIS

Eighty people travel to the Phoenix Park from our parish this Sunday. Bus is leaving from opposite St. Coca's Church at **10am and NOT 10.30am.** We wish them a safe, joyful and prayerful pilgrimage. Keep those of us at home in your thoughts and prayers.

I ask you all..... but reply in the silence of your heart, not aloud: Do I pray? Do I speak with Jesus or am I frightened of silence? Do I allow the Holy Spirit to speak in my heart? Do I ask Jesus: "What do you want me to do, what do you want from my life?" This is training. Ask Jesus, speak to Jesus, and if you make a mistake in your life, if you should fall, if you should do something wrong, don't be afraid. Jesus, look at what I have done, what must I do now? Speak continually with Jesus, in the good times and in the bad, when you do right and when you wrong. DO not fear Him!!

REFLECTIONS FROM THE WRITINGS OF POPE FRANCIS

Be close to your priests with affection and with your prayers so that they may always be shepherds according to God's heart.

The encounter with Jesus Christ happens in daily life, in one's personal search in prayer, in the wise reading of the signs of the times (Mt. 24:32; Lk 21:29) and in the midst of our brothers and sisters (Mt. 25:31-46; Lk 10:25-37).

Let us always pray for one another. Let us pray for the whole world that there may be a great spirit of communion.

Only in the contemplation of the mystery of love, which goes beyond distances and creates closeness, will we find the strength not to fall into the temptation of stopping along the way.

"Only the Lord will you worship!" It is the only great unshakeable rock from which to confront so many alluring invitations form the evil ones which in reality bring us only void and emptiness. Do not worship contemporary idols nor listen to their siren's enchanting songs. It is the great challenge of our present day for us believers.

To worship is to be filled of the love we have for the one we enter into communion with. None of us worship anyone we don't love or who doesn't love us. "We are loved by God"! "We are dear to Him"! "God is love"! This certainty is what leads us to worship God with all our heart, because "He first loved us!" (1 Jn 4:10)

When Jesus encourages us to pray with insistence he sends us to the very heart of the Trinity where through his holy humanity he leads us to the Father and promises the Holy Spirit.

Prayer will lead the way both in good and difficult times to recognize the Word in all the suffering flesh as well as surrender our flesh to the will of God in order to live according to the Spirit.

The prayerful persons are double seduced, by God and by people. On the one hand, they cannot do without God because they need to constantly look for Him as they know that they are beloved and wanted by Him, nor they can do without the people because they feel the need to serve them as they see in them the face of God. The prophet Jeremiah felt this experience to the core.

In prayer, our flesh, identified with the Word made flesh and moved by the Spirit, longs for the Father. This is the mystery that unfolds in prayer and that promises us a unique communion with the Father, in the Spirit and through the Son. He takes our flesh and we receive his Spirit.

Fr. John 01 6287448

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 21st Aug 2018

Lotto Nos. 8 - 15 - 26 - 32

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €16,600

3 x \in 50 Winners: Brian Connaughton, Mark Fitzgerald & Frances Sheeran.

Promoters (2 x €50): Janey Byrne & Martina Larkin.

In Hall: (2 x €25): Siobhan O'Shea & Martina Gannon.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yearly or half-yearly lotto tickets make an ideal gift for any occasion. Lotto now available on-line!

CAPPAGH G.F.C. – Tue, 21st Aug 2018

Lotto Nos. 12 – 23 – 25

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €6,800

€20 Winners x 5: Eileen Gleeson, Maria Gilligan, Niall O'Loughlin, Mal Mullally, Thomas Jackman.

Thank you for your continued support.

KILCOCK GAA – Sun, 19th Aug 2018

Lotto Nos. 4 – 8 – 11 – 26

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €8,500

€50 Winners x 5: B&T Montague, Marie O'Doherty, Liz & Malcolm Leigh, Andrea McGrath, Gus Bourke.

Promoters: Paul Kenny & Eugene Finn.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mass will be celebrated at the Clonsast Mass rock site on Fri, 31st Aug at 7.30pm, the Feast of St. Aiden. Please pray for good weather. All welcome. St. Vincent de Paul – annual pilgrimage to Knock on Sat, 8^{th} Sept. Bus leaving from The Square at 8.30am sharp. Cost of trip is €30 (includes transport, snack and dinner). To book a place, please contact Vincent's, Church St. on 01 6284269. All are welcome.

Heritage Week, Hortland – Talk on Hortland and Archbishop Josiah Hort in Knockanally Golf Club on Sun, 26th Aug. Bus will leave The Square @ 2pm. Refreshments served. Organised by the Teresa Brayton Heritage Group – for info. contact 087 6448069 or 087 7603346.

Childminder required for 3 children in Kilcock (7yrs, 5yrs and 2yrs) for 4 days per week. Contact Clare 086 3803577.

Forever Friendz Pre-School has a free ECCE place available for September 2018. Please contact Anne on 086 0783979 for more information.

Piloxing (Box/pilates) for adults and teens will re-commence in Scoil Choca Naofa on Tue, 4th Sept. at 7.30pm. Piloxing is suitable for all fitness levels and is fabulous for loosing weight and toning. Classes are pay as you go, \notin 8 for adults and \notin 5 for teens and students. You <u>MUST</u> book your place weekly by ringing/texting Lorna on 087 9054421 or via the FB page "Pilox Til You Drop".

FREE Painting time in Kilcock Library on Wednesday afternoons from 2-4pm. Why not drop in and see if you would like a new past-time or would like to continue an existing one? If interested, contact Mary 087 1300571 or Kay 085 8605970. All welcome.

Kildare & West Wicklow Drug & Alcohol Family Support service supporting families and concerned persons impacted by a loved one's substance misuse. Hope Cottage provides a safe space to receive support. Tel. Noreen 083 3796852.

KMDS are delighted to announce their Panto for Jan 2019 will be the hilarious *Robin Hood & The Sword of Destiny*. Junion registration will take place on Sun, 2nd Sept. at 2pm in Kilcock GAA. All junior members must be 12 years or older before Jan 1st. Principal auditions will be held on Sun, 9th Sept. at 2pm. KMDS are delighted to partner with Kilcock GAA as their new venue for their 2019 Panto & Musical productions.

MASSES FOR WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

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| Sat, 25 th Aug | 6pm | Sheila Geraghty, Courtown Park (19 th Anniv) | | | | | | | |
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| Sun, 26 th Aug | 9am | Martin Prior, Connaught St. (Anniv) | | | | | | | |
| Mon, 27 th Aug | 10am | Shared Mass for the Living | Eucharistic Adoration 10.30-11.30am; 6-8pm | | | | | | |
| Tue, 28 th Aug | 10am | Shared Mass for the Deceased | Eucharistic Autoration 10.30-11.50am, 0-6pm | | | | | | |
| Wed, 29 th Aug | 10am | Shared Wass for the Deceased | | | | | | | |
| Thu, 30 th Aug | 10am | | | | | | | | |
| Fri, 31 st Aug | 10am | | | | | | | | |
| Sat, 1 st Sep | 6pm | Thomasina Tallon (Anniv & Birthday Remembrance) | | | | | | | |
| Sat, 1 Sep | opin | Timothy Muldowney (Anniv) & remembering his | | | | | | | |
| Sun, 2 nd Sep | 9am | Christopher & Mary Halligan (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Halligan family | | | | | | | |
| buil, 2 bep | 12 noon | Therese Griffith (1 st Anniv) | This an deceased members of the Hamgan failing | | | | | | |
| | 12 10011 | Margaret Lavin (4 th Anniv) & all deceased membe | rs of the Lavin & Gildea families | | | | | | |
| Church of the Nativity, Newtown | | | | | | | | | |
| Sun, 26 th Aug | 9am | Sean McLoughlin (Anniv) | | | | | | | |
| | | Eucharistic Adoration resumes in September | | | | | | | |
| Sun, 2 nd Sep | 10.30am | Sadie Clarke (Anniv) | | | | | | | |
| | | Tom O'Hare (Anniv) & remembering his wife Mo David Houlihan (20 th Anniv) | lly, son Brendan & grand-daughter Serena | | | | | | |

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund: 19th Aug 2018: €1,417.00; Offertory Collection for 19th Aug 2018: €1,181.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. **Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund**: A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!